

022304

16569 U.S.PTO

<b>UTILITY APPLICATION</b>	Attorney Docket No.: SPIRTN.017C1 First Named Inventor: Hugo X. Gonzalez Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR CAPTURING BODY TISSUE SAMPLES Express Mail Label No.: EV 309087356 US
<b>Direct all correspondence to Customer No.: 20995</b> <span style="float: right;">Date: February 23, 2004</span>	
Page 1 of 2	

22390 U.S.PTO  
10/784906

**Mail Stop Patent Application**  
 United States Patent and Trademark Office  
 PO Box 1450  
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

The following enclosures are transmitted herewith to be filed in the patent application of:

Inventor:  
 1. Hugo X. Gonzalez

#### APPLICATION ELEMENTS:

- (X) Specification in 9 pages.
- (X) Drawings in 2 sheets.

Reference to prior domestic applications is made in the:

- (X) Reference to prior domestic applications is made in the specification.

#### CONTINUITY INFORMATION:

Application	Relationship	Parent App. No.	Filing Date	Status
This Application	Continuation of	10/039,104	01/04/02	Pending

- (X) Incorporation by Reference. The entire disclosure of the prior application is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
- (X) Examiner in prior application: FOREMAN, JONATHAN M.
- (X) Group Art Unit of prior application: 3736

#### OTHER APPLICATION PARTS:

- (X) Return prepaid postcard.

<b>UTILITY APPLICATION</b>	Attorney Docket No.: SPIRTN.017C1 First Named Inventor: Hugo X. Gonzalez Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR CAPTURING BODY TISSUE SAMPLES Express Mail Label No.: EV 309087356 US
----------------------------	-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------

**Direct all correspondence to Customer No.: 20995**

Date: February 23, 2004

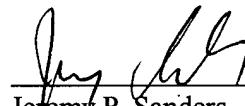
Page 2 of 2

**FILING FEES:**

The present application qualifies for small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27. The fees are calculated below:

<b>FEE CALCULATION</b>				
<b>FEES TYPE</b>		<b>FEES CODE</b>	<b>CALCULATION</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Basic Utility		2001 (\$385)		\$385
Non-English Spec.		1053 (\$130)		\$0
Recordation Fee		8021 (\$40)	0 x 40 =	\$0
Excess Claims > 20	10 - 20 = 0	2202 (\$9)	0 x 9 =	\$0
Independent > 3	1 - 3 = 0	2201 (\$43)	0 x 43 =	\$0
Multiple Claim		2203 (\$145)		\$0
			<b>TOTAL FEE DUE</b>	<b>\$385</b>

**(X) The total fees calculated above will be paid at a later date.**



Jeremy P. Sanders  
Registration No. 47,916  
Attorney of Record  
Customer No. 20,995  
(949) 760-0404

SUTILITY  
H:\DOCS\UPS\UPS-3187.DOC  
022304

# **Knobbe Martens Olson & Bear LLP**

*Intellectual Property Law*

2040 Main Street  
Fourteenth Floor  
Irvine, CA 92614  
Tel 949-760-0404  
Fax 949-760-9502  
[www.kmob.com](http://www.kmob.com)

*Jeremy P. Sanders*

MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING BY "EXPRESS MAIL"**

**Attorney Docket No. :** SPIRTN.017C1

**Applicant(s) :** Hugo X. Gonzalez

**For :** SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR CAPTURING  
BODY TISSUE SAMPLES

**Attorney :** Jeremy P. Sanders

**"Express Mail"**

**Mailing Label No. :** EV 309087356 US

**Date of Deposit :** February 23, 2004

I hereby certify that the accompanying

Transmittal letter; specification in 9 pages; 2 sheets of drawings; Return Prepaid Postcard

are being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and are addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

  
Nelson Merida

EXPRESSP

H:\DOCS\UPS\UPS-3188.DOC  
022304

*San Diego*  
619-235-8550

*San Francisco*  
415-954-4114

*Los Angeles*  
310-551-3450

*Riverside*  
909-781-9231

*San Luis Obispo*  
805-547-5580